

Stephens Head Start/Georgia Pre-K



INTRODUCTION

It is a pleasure to present to you our 2013-2014 Community Resource Handbook produced and provided by Stephens County Head Start/Pre K. We compiled this handbook to assist our families in gaining access to local and state information, which will help them to meet the needs of their families. The handbook lists a contact person, address, phone number and information on services offered by agencies and support groups in the area.

The book is divided into 16 subject sections: Business/Government, Disabilities, Domestic Violence/Shelter, Education, Employment, Food/Food Services, Housing, Law Enforcement, Legal Services, Private Day Care, Recreation, Senior Services, Area Churches, Treatment and Other Services, (agencies with more than one area of service and other agencies that do not fit other categories), Local Clubs/Organizations, and Toll-Free Numbers/Hotlines and Important Phone Numbers.

Our Toll-Free Number section includes state and national numbers. These numbers are listed under subject sections. A sub-section entitled, "Other Important Telephone Numbers," includes helpful organizations both in and out of the state, which do not have toll-free phone numbers. This subsection is arranged alphabetically by organization name.

If you are a Head Start/Pre-K family and you need assistance or have problems obtaining services, please contact the Family Support Staff at the Head Start Office at 706-886-7675. We are here to help you and your child grow and achieve through our program!

Sandra Calvin-Center Director

Stephens Head Start/Georgia Pre-K



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BUSINESS/GOVERNMENT

ANDERSON INDEPENDENT-MAIL

Location: P.O. Box 2507, Anderson, SC 29622

Contact: Anderson Bureau Reporter

Telephone: 1-864-224-4321 **Toll Free:** 1 (888)-789-0820

Fax: 864-260-1276, **Email:** independentmail.com

Services: News service covers Hart, Stephens and Franklin Counties

BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU OF ATLANTA (BBB)

Location: 503 Oak Place, Suite 590, College Park, GA 30349

Telephone: 1-404-768-1085 /1-866-225-1090

Fax: 404-768-1085, **Email:** info@atlanta.bbb.org

Services: Provides services working for better consumer-business relations. The BBB also provides arbitration services in several areas including autos manufactured by major companies such as General Motors, Nissan, Saab, Volkswagen, Honda, Acura and Audi. Callers can obtain information about a particular company's history in dealing with complaints. The auto arbitration number is 1-800-955-5100

STEPHENS COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Contact: Wendi Bailey, President

Location: P.O. Box 577, 160 N Alexander Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2132

Services: Community relations and business promotion.

TOCCOA CITY AND STEPHENS COUNTY MEETING

County Commissioners: Commission work sessions are held on the second Monday of each month. Meetings are held at 6:00 p.m. at the Courthouse Annex.

To contact Commissioners: Beth Rider, county clerk: 706-886-9491

Commissioners – Stanley London, (chairman) 706-779-3105, Dean Scarborough, (vice-chairman) 706-886-8198, Harold Andrews, 706-886-1176, Dennis Bell, Debbie Whitlock

City Commissioners: Work sessions are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall

City Mayor: David Austin, 706-491-0996 (Work), 706-886-8198 (Home),

Email: daustin@cityoftoccoa.net

Vice Mayor: Andy Pavliscsak, 706-886-6633 (Work), 706-886-0791 (Home)

Email: selfstorage@windstream.net

City Commissioners:

Ron Sieb, 706-782-7936 (Work), 706-886-7905 (Home)

Email: ron.seib@edwardjones.com

Gail Fry, 706-599-0205 (work), 706-886-6534 (home)

Email: davidf@windstream.net

Terry Carter, 706-491-2550 (work), 706-297-7014 (home)

Email: tug@windstream.net

City Manager: Mike Jackson, 706-282-3221, manager@cityoftoccoa.com

City Clerk: Fredda O. Wheeler, 706-886-3225 (Work), 706-886-7782 (Home)

Email: fwheeler@cityoftoccoa.com

Stephens County Administrator: Phyllis Ayers, P.O. Box 386, Toccoa, GA

706-886-9491(work), Fax: 706-886-2185

Hospital Authority: Work sessions are held on the 3rd Monday of every month at 5:00 pm. at Stephens County Hospital

School Board: Work sessions are held on every 3rd Tuesday at 5:30 p.m., at the Stephens County School System Administrative Office located on Hwy 106 South (Old Carnes Creek School)

School Board Members:

District/Post	Name	Term
Dist.1, Post 1	Dr. Elizabeth Pinkerton	2013-2017
Dist 1, Post 2	Mr. Jerry Steele, Chairman	2011-2013
Dist 2, Post 2	Mr. Jeff Webb	2011-2013
Dist 2, Post 1	Mrs. Sandra Childs	2011-2013
Dist 3, Post 1	Mr. David Fricks	2011-2013
Dist 3, Post 2	Mr. Jim Ledford, Vice Chairman	2013-2017
At Large	Mr. Tony Crunkleton	2013-2017

GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Location: 244 Washington Street, S.W. 1st floor, Atlanta, GA 30334

Telephone: 1-800-282-5813

Fax: 404-656-2341

Website: gapsc.state.ga.us

Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m, Monday - Friday

Services: Provides an avenue of complaint for persons who are not satisfied that their electric bills are correct. Provides an outlet for consumers to air their views.

GOVERNMENT: SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES

President of the United States, Barak H. Obama, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20500, **Telephone:** 1-202-456-1414, 1-202-456-2461 (Fax)

Governor of Georgia, Nathan Deal 203 State Capitol, Atlanta, GA. 30334, **Telephone:** 404-656-1776, 1-404-656-5947 (Fax)

U.S. Senator, Saxby Chambliss, 416 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 30510-1005, **Telephone:** 1-202-224-3521, 1-202-224-0103

U.S. Senator, Johnny Isakson, 120 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-1006, **Telephone:** 1-202-224-3643, 1-202-228-0724 (fax)

LOCAL U.S. Representative, Paul Broun, 325 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515, **Telephone:** 1-202-225-4101, 202-226-0776 (fax)

Local Representative: State Representative, Dan Gasaway, P.O. Box 700 Homer, GA 30547, **Telephone:** 404-656-0325

Local State Senator: John Wilkinson, P.O. Box 2277, Cornelia, GA 30535, **Telephone:** 706-886-1898

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

Location: Federal Building, Gainesville, Georgia 30503

Telephone: 1-800-829-1040 or 706-536-2235

Website: www.irs.gov

Hours of Operation: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Services: To assist taxpayer in filling out IRS returns.

Locally: Volunteers under a program sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) as a part of the IRS Education Division will be available to assist those that need help in completing their tax forms. Assistance will be available any Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and February 3rd through April 14th. Assistance will be available in the fellowship room of the First Presbyterian Church. This is a repeat service. There is no charge for assistance.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Location: 155 Big A. Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 877-405-7655

Hours of Operation: 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Monday - Friday

Services: Social Security Retirement, Social Security Disability, Social Security Survivors Benefits, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for the aged blind, disabled and Medicare.

VITAL RECORDS (BIRTH CERTIFICATES)

Location: 70 N. Alexander St. Suite 101, Toccoa, GA. 30577, Probate Court Office

Telephone: 706-886-2828 **Fax:** 706-886-0335

Email: gseprobate@stephenscountyga.com

Services: If your child was born in Stephens County, you may obtain a birth certificate which you will need before your child can enter the school system. The cost for a birth certificate is \$25.00

TAX ASSESSORS OFFICE

Location: 230 North Sage St., Toccoa, GA. 30577 **Chief Appraiser:** Christen Collier

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm

Telephone: 706-886-7435 **Fax:** 706-886-0574 **Email:** sctac@windstream.net

Tax Commissioner: Dene Hicks, **Location:** 70 N. Alexander St. Rm. 103, **Mailing:** P.O. Box 187, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Email: dene@stephenscountytax.com, sctaxcomm@windstream.net

Motor Vehicle and Property Tax Dept.: pernita@stephenscountytax.com

UTILITIES

Georgia Power Company: 206 Collins Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577, 706-282-4701

Hart EMC: Rte 2, Box 2027, Hwy 123 (past Chamber of Commerce), 706-886-4831
1-800-241-4109

City of Toccoa: Gas & Water – 203 N Alexander St., Toccoa, GA. 706-886-8451

Windstream Telephone Company: -Tugalo Street (near downtown), 706-886-3113

Truvista: 119 Falls Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577 706-886-272

DISABILITIES

BABIES CAN'T WAIT

Contact: Dru Thomas, DHR Health District 2

Location: 1856 Thompson Bridge Road, Gainesville, GA. 30501

Telephone: 1-770-531-4053; 1-800-204-8731, (fax) 1-770-538-2784

Services: To help concerned parents screen their child 0-2 years for disabilities and link the child with resources to help him/her.

ALPINE CENTER

Address: P.O. Box 276, Carnesville GA. 30521-0276

Contact/Coordinator: Lydia Bennett

Telephone: 706-384-4824

Services: Serves emotionally disturbed and behaviorally disordered children and their families.

CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES

Contact: Angela Williams

Location: 1856-3 Thompson Bridge Rd., Gainesville, GA 30501

Telephone: 1-770-535-6907, Toll Free: 1-800-204-8731 fax: 770-538-2784 or call local Health Department (706-282-4507) to schedule appointment for application.

Website: www.phdistrict2.org

Services: To correct/treat disability conditions or birth defects, developmental delays, orthopedic, genetic, hearing, and physicals for children suspected of having disabling conditions.

GEORGIA CENTER FOR THE MULTIHANDICAPPED

Contact: Dr. Stephanie Dirst, Director

Location: 542 Church Street, Decatur, GA 30030

Telephone: 1-404-378-5433

Services: Providing comprehensive psycho-educational and medical evaluations and planning for multi-handicapped children. Evaluations take 3 to 4 days depending on the needs and disability condition of the child.

Eligibility: Free evaluation services available statewide for children ages 0 through 21, who are suspected of having more than one disabling conditions. Screening committee determines eligibility and need. There is no charge to families for evaluations.

GEORGIA LIONS CAMP FOR THE BLIND

Location: 5626 Laura Walker Road, Waycross, GA. 31503

Telephone: 912-283-4320, 888-297-1775

Fax: 912-283-5130

Website: glcblindsec@accessatc.net

Services: One to two week summer residential camping sessions for blind and visually impaired individuals. The camp seeks to enhance the campers' physical, mental, and social development while offering a meaningful outdoor camping experience. Age groups: 4 - 17 and 18 and over. The service provided will be based upon an evaluation of each individual's particular need. Available services will include: orientation/mobility training, independent living skills, home management, vocational evaluation, vocational training. Trained personnel directed by a Georgia Department of Rehabilitation Counselor provide these services.

GEORGIA RELAY CENTER

Telephone: 711 or (voice users) 1-800-255-0135, Speech to Speech 1-888-202-4082 (English), 1-888-202-3972 (Spanish)

Customer Service: 1-866-694-5824 (Voice/TTY)

Email: garelay@hamiltonrelay.com

Standard Mail: Georgia Relay 244 Washington St., SW, Atlanta, GA. 30334

Services: Will relay calls to anywhere in Georgia for hearing impaired or deaf clients.

HANDICAP HOTLINE

Location: 8965 River Run, Atlanta, GA.

Telephone: 1-770-998-0211

Services: Information and referral services for persons in wheelchairs.

AVITA COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Contact: Janice McAllister

Location: 1763 Fernside Drive, Toccoa, GA. 30577 **Mailing:** P.O. Box 927 Toccoa, GA.

Telephone: 706- 886-6521

Services: Day services for mentally disabled adults 19 yrs. old and up and outreach services for developmentally delayed infants 0 to 3 years old. Services for adults include work activity programs and community employment. Outreach services are provided for children and include assisting the family in obtaining homebound and other needed services.

Hours: Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Eligibility: Mental disabilities or developmentally delayed individuals.

NORTH GEORGIA CENTER OF THE GEORGIA LEARNING RESOURCES SYSTEM

Contact: Dr. Laura Brown, Director

Location: 1342 Highway 254, Cleveland, GA. 30528

Telephone: 706-865-2141 or 866-812-7372

Services: Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00a.m. - 4:30p.m., GLRS is a support service for parents and teachers of children with disabilities. Services include: Staff development services, referral services, information dissemination, special needs library, and diagnostic services.

Eligibility: Anyone can access GLRS services on behalf of a child with disabilities.

NORTHEAST GEORGIA SPEECH CENTER

Contact: Diane M. Brower, CCC-SLP, Speech/Language Pathologist, and Director

Location: 604 Washington, St., P.O. Box 1482, Gainesville, GA 30501

Telephone: 770-534-5141

Services: Provides evaluation and treatment for speech problems of all types and routine hearing screens. Lip reading and auditory training for deaf and hard of hearing

Eligibility: Anyone with or suspected of having a speech, language or hearing problem
Fee based on ability to pay. Sliding scale for fee reduction, Medicaid/Medicare clients accepted. Patients may also be referred by a physician.

Other Services: Therapeutic Language for Children (TLC) Preschool speech and language program designed to prepare the speech/language-delayed child for the school experience. Program environment is appropriate for the preschool child in providing maximum opportunity for development of communication skills. TLC staff consists of qualified state licensed and ASHA certified speech/language pathologists experienced in preschool and early childhood population and a teacher with a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education. Three-day Program: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; Two-day Program: Tuesday and Thursday.

Summer Camp: Summer Language Safari 9-week summer program 5 days per week.

Eligibility: Li'l Buds (Babies Understanding and Developing Speech): infant stimulation program birth - 2 years. Pre-School Program: Children ages 3-5 that has been diagnosed with a speech with a speech and/or language disorder. Hearing impaired and Attention Deficit Disorder children are accepted. The parent/guardian, primary physician, preschool/daycare teacher, appropriate school or agency personnel may refer children meeting the above eligibility standards, or other individual concerned with the child's communicative development.

ROOSEVELT-WARM SPRINGS INSTITUTE FOR REHABILITATION

Location: Highway 41 North, P.O. Box 1000, Warm Springs, GA. 31830

Telephone: 800-282-8461, 706-655-5356, 706-655-5230

Services: Rehabilitation program for physically disabled. Sponsors: Miss Georgia Wheelchair Pageant.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

Location: 243 S. Main Street, Suite B, Cleveland, GA. 30528-1404

Telephone: 1-800-846-9634 (Self-referrals accepted)

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/SHELTERS

CIRCLE OF HOPE

Contact: Suzanne Dow, Director / Paige Worley, Stephens County Advocate
P.O. Box 833, Cornelia, GA. 30531

Telephone: 706-776-4673, 800-33HAVEN or 706-282-4505 (Department of Family and Children's Services) Collect Calls Accepted

cohstephens@windstream.net OR www.gacircleofhope.org.

Services: A place for women and their children who are seeking shelter and have no safe place to go. The purpose of the program is to provide shelter for women in crisis situations. Support services include counseling, referrals and support groups. The support groups are provided for women who have experienced abuse in a relationship.

Their purpose is to bring women of like circumstances together to share experiences, feelings and to comfort each other. Trained facilitators conduct these meetings. Please call the office for locations and times. Women need not reside at the shelter to attend meetings.

Eligibility: No charge for room and board. Women must agree to abide by the community style living guidelines

FAITH: STOP ABUSE

Contact: Mark Smith, Director

Phone: 888-782-1338

Powerhouse for Kids: 706-886-2290

Services: A safe place for battered women and children, rape crisis program, food pantry and child advocacy center.

GATEWAY HOUSE

Contact: Jessica Butler

Telephone: 770-536-5860

Services: A safe place for women and their children. Purpose is to provide shelter for women in crisis situations. Support services include counseling, referrals and support groups.

Eligibility: No charge, but contributions are encouraged. There must have been physical abuse within the last seven days. The woman must have nowhere else to go and must agree to abide by the house rules.

EDUCATION

ADULT EDUCATION

Contact: Dr. Barbara Melechar

Local Contact: Jackie Reeder, 706-779-8116

Location: North Georgia Technical College and Vocational School, Georgia 1500, Hwy 197, Clarkesville, GA 30523 (clarkesville campus)

Telephone: 706-754-7700, 706-754-7781

Currahee Campus, 8989 Hwy 17 S., Toccoa, Ga 30577

Telephone: 706-779-8100. **To Register:** 706-282-5171 **Hours:** Mon – Wed from 8:00am -12:00pm

Single Parenting Component: Jane Tilley, 1-706-754-7766

Purpose: To provide technical and/or vocational education, adult literacy training and GED testing, continuing education short courses, and specialty training for industries.

Services: Full-time preparatory courses, offered during the day in four general areas: technical, skilled, business and health areas. Evening extension classes are available in some communities. GATB tests are administered to help students plan an appropriate course program. Courses on other topics of interest may be added during the day or evening upon request.

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

Contact: Kelly Hunter or Pat Defenbaugh

Location: 127 Big A School Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-282-5171

Services: GED Program; the skills of reading, speaking, listening, and writing of the English language are taught. The program seeks to develop attitudes, which will enable a person to live a fuller life. Adults may progress at their own speed. Students can enroll at any time during the year, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. Classes are on Tuesday and Thursday, 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m and Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. for GED at Old Big A Elementary School. Thursday evenings, 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Computer and Internet classes are also offered from 1:00p.m.-4:00p.m. Day classes are on Monday & Wednesday 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Eligibility: Persons of 16 years of age and older.

ALPINE CENTER, PRESCHOOL READINESS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM (PREP), AND SPECIAL EDUCATION

Contact: Carol Booth, Director of Special Services (Also PREP - Preschool Program)

Telephone: Alpine Center - Rich Pater Whitmire – 706-886-5609

Special Education - Elaine Crunkleton, Secretary – 706-886-5609

PREP – Susan West – 706-886-7675

Services: Alpine - to serve severely emotionally disturbed and behaviorally disordered children and their families. The program provides diagnostic services, developmental evaluations, educational, psychological and/or psychiatric evaluations. Services are provided to local schools and parents. Contact Stephens County Schools for referral. Special Education serves all areas of disabilities. Coordination with other agencies such as GLRS and Pioneer RESA exists also.

P.R.E.P. is a federally funded demonstration project designed to serve the special needs of three, four, and five year old children. To receive services, eligibility must be determined and an individual education plan written. P.R.E.P. is a regional program which serves the following disabilities: Speech and Language Impaired, Mental Handicapped, Emotionally Disturbed, Behaviorally Disordered, Visually Impaired, Hearing Impaired, Learning Disabled, Orthopedically disabled, and other Health Impairments. P.R.E.P. provides center-based and home-based special education services. Types of services include speech and language, educational, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and support services for parents and all care providers.

Referrals arranged through Carol Booth, Director of Special Education for Stephens County Schools. **Please call 706-886-5609.**

HEAD START/PRE-K/NINTH DISTRICT OPPORTUNITY

Contact: Sandra Calvin, Director

Address: 176 S. Broad Street, P.O. Box 129, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-7675, **Fax:** 706-886-3025 **Email:** sandra.calvin@ndohs.org

Services: Head Start is a federal program for pre-school children. Stephens County Head Start is operated by Ninth District Opportunity, Inc., a local community action organization. Head Start works with the entire family to help insure your child's success. Services to parents include educational assistance, budgeting, housing assistance, employment assistance, and parenting. Children who attend Head Start participate in a variety of educational activities using the High Scope Approach to learning and the Second Step Curriculum for self control. They also receive medical and dental care, have healthy meals and enjoy learning indoors and outdoors in a safe environment. Services are also offered to meet the special needs of children with disabilities. Most children in Head Start are between the ages of three and five years old. Head Start provides children with activities that help them grow mentally, socially, emotionally and physically so that they are better prepared to transition to the next educational setting. The Head Start staff recognizes that, as parents, you are the first and most important teachers for your children. They will welcome your involvement in Head Start activities, and will work as partners with you to help your child prepare for the next step. Stephens County Head Start is a Program of Excellence, Georgia Day Care licensed and NAEYC accredited.

Eligibility: 90% enrollment according to Federal-income guidelines; 10% disabilities; 10% over-income. Students must be 3 or 4 years of age on or before September 1 of any program year. No fees!

Stephens Head Start/Pre K

Services: Pre-K is a lottery funded state program that improves the mental and physical ability of children, to develop their self-confidence and ability to relate to others, to increase their verbal and conceptual skills including pre-reading and pre-math skills, to involve parents in providing and conducting age appropriate activities with their children. Music activities, health and dental screens are included. Meals provided free or with low fee based on eligibility.

Eligibility: Each child must be 4 years old by September 1 of any program year and a resident of Georgia.

TOCCOA-STEPHENS COUNTY LIBRARY

Contact: Michelle Austin, Library Manager

Location: 121 W. Savannah Street, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6082 or 706-886-2969; **Fax:** 706-886-2134

Services: Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Videos, Cassettes, Magazine Exchange, Paperback Exchange, Large Print Books, Reference Service, Interlibrary Loan, Linked with Chestatee Library for the blind, Room for Literacy Tutoring, Literacy Books and Paper, Film showings, Weekly Read-a-loud, Special Program for all ages, School Tours, Multipurpose Room, Made available for groups, 40 inch Television, Opaque projector, Polaroid Cameras, Public Computers, Magazines on Info Trac, Microfilm reader and printer, 7 computer on Internet, 3 computers on Galileo (library search tool), fax machine, introductory computer classes. Hours: M, W, F, 10:00 a.m. -5:30 p.m., T & TH, 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m., Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

STEPHENS COUNTY EDUCATION CENTER

Contact: Shirley Dillard and Carolyn Mann

Location: 191 Old Big A School Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3114, **Fax:** 706-886-3127

Services: A year round high school that offers all Georgia required curriculum courses, as well as a variety of vocational courses and state-mandated testing. The teachers MECHS are K-12 certified. They maintain a low student to teacher ratio and are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

NORTH GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Location: 1500 Hwy 197 N., Clarkesville, GA 30523 **Currahee Campus:** 8989 Hwy 17, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-754-7700 **Fax:** 706-754-7777 (Clarkesville), 706-779-8100 **Fax:** 706-779-8130 (Toccoa)

Services: Technical degrees in areas such as computer management, medical assistance, and auto body repair.

Email: info@northgatech.edu

S.E.L.F: STEPHENS EDUCATION LITERACY FOUNDATION

Contact: Lisa Prickett

Location: P.O. Box 1497, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6909

Services: S.E.L.F. is the promotional arm of the adult literacy program that provides educational opportunities for adults such as GED classes and one-on-one tutoring.

STEPHENS COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Location: P.O. Box 386, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-779-5983

Fax: 706-779-5935

Services: To educate and train citizens in methods of survival in case of disaster and to assist in saving lives and property in the event of a major disaster. Stephens County EMA will provide CPR training.

STEPHENS COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Contact: Sherri Whiten, Superintendent

Location: 2332 Mize, Rd., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-9415. **Fax:** 706-886-3882

Services: Provides public education for children in K-12 grades.

BIG A ELEMENTARY

Contact: Mrs. Sherrie McAllister, Principal,

Location: P.O. Box 289 Sorrells Rd., Eastanollee, GA, 30538

Telephone: 706-886-2987, **Fax:** 706-282-4698

EASTANOLLEE ELEMENTARY

Contact: Susan Crawford, Principal

Location: 50 Livestock Road, Eastanollee, GA, 30538

Telephone: 706-779-2216, **Fax:** 706-779-3801

LIBERTY ELEMENTARY

Contact: Terri Powers, Principal

Location: 222 Old Liberty Hill Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577,

Telephone: 706-886-3934, **Fax:** 706-886-9983

TOCCOA ELEMENTARY

Contact: David Jacobson, Principal,

Location: 304 N. Pond St., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3194, **Fax:** 706-282-0559

STEPHENS COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Contact: Donna Collins, Principal

Location: 1315 Roselane, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706- 886-2880, **Fax:** 706-886-2882

STEPHENS COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Contact: Felton Stephens, Principal

Location: 638 White Pine Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6825, **Fax:** 706-886-8765

CROSSROADS SUCCESS ACADEMY

Contact: Jerry Brown, Director

Location: 191 Old Big A School Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3114, **Fax:** 706-886-3127

TOCCOA FALLS COLLEGE

Contact: Robert Myer, President

Location: 107 Kincaid Dr., Toccoa Falls, GA. 30598

Telephone: 706-886-6831 **Toll Free:** 1-888-785-5624 **Fax:** 706-282-6012

Services: Post-secondary education. The college offers 2 year, 4 years and some master degrees.

TOCCOA STEPHENS COUNTY LITERACY COUNCIL

Contact: Kelly Hunter

Location: 158 S. Broad, Toccoa, GA, 30577

Telephone: 706-282-5171

Services Offered:

One on One Tutoring: Our programs seek to develop attitudes, which will enable a person to live a fuller life. We offer certified volunteer tutors who work one on one to teach persons of any age who cannot read and write. We also work with students who are slow readers to improve their skills. Our tutors provide instruction in any subject in which the student needs help such as math, language skills, spelling, etc. Students are usually tutored one to two hours a week by their personal tutor. The center is open for these services from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm on Monday and Wednesday and from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm on Tuesdays.

GED Program: The GED program is offered at the Learning Center and our instructor is Mr. Harvey Weiss. GED classes are held at the center Monday through Thursday from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm and on Monday and Tuesday nights from 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Adults may progress at their own speed. Students may enroll at any time during the operating hours. Students must be 16 years of age. Call 706-282-5171 for more information.

Basic Computer Classes: Basic computer classes are offered several times a year and

are taught by Mr. Ed Bush. These classes involve basic skills for the computer and accessing the Internet and learning to use email. These classes run Monday through Friday afternoons from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Call: 706-282-5171 to have your name placed on the waiting list.

Parenting Classes: Parenting Classes are offered four times a year: Spring, Summer, Fall, and Winter Sessions. Mrs. Pat Defenbaugh teaches these classes. Sessions are held each Monday night for 5 weeks. Materials, refreshments and childcare are provided.

Tutor Training: If you wish to become a volunteer tutor, we offer tutor certification training twice a year, plus inservice training for existing tutors.

EMPLOYMENT

ETCON

Contact: Kim Irish, Office Manager

Location: 3837 GA. Hwy 17, Eastanollee, GA. 30538

Telephone: 706-886-7747, **Fax:** 706-886-7755

Services: To provide temporary and permanent job placement for Stephens, Franklin, Hart, and Elbert Counties.

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Contact: Greg Pitts

Location: 37 Foreacre St., P.O. Box 520, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4514 **Fax:** 706-282-4513

Services: Job Placement Services, Unemployment Insurance, Job Placement Services for Veterans, Referral to Job Corps

Eligibility: Free of charge. Do not have to be unemployed to receive Job Placement Services

JOB CORP

Contact: Jason Johnson

Location: Department of Labor, Athens, GA.

Telephone: 1-706-369-6081

Services: Training opportunities; to further your education, learn a vocational skill, get a profitable job or attend college. Participants are given a monthly allowance.

Eligibility: Men and women ages 16-20 out of school and out of work.

EMPLOYMENT STAFFING, INC.

Location: 46 Hwy. 103, Toccoa, GA, 30577

Telephone: 706-282-0978

Fax: 706-282-0714

LABOR FINDERS

Location: 2350 Prince Ave., Suite 12, Athens, GA 30604

Telephone: 706-886-1225

PHILLIPS STAFFING

Location: 11909 Augusta Road, Lavonia, GA.30553

Telephone: 706-356-5820

Fax: 706-356-5824

SPHERION/INTERIM PERSONNEL

Location: 82 Wal-Mart Way, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-5115

Fax: 706-886-5117

FOOD AND FOOD SERVICES

AGRICULTURE CONSUMER LINE

Contact: Arty Chronite, Manager

Telephone: 1-800-282-5852 (toll free)

Services: To answer questions about agriculture products and allows consumers an outlet for complaints. Provide assistance in food buying and using products more effectively.

CANNERY AND FREEZER LOCKER

Contact: Jackie James, Manager

Telephone: 706-779-2218

Services: Monday - Thursday: 8:00a.m.-4:00p.m.; during garden season on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday you can take cleaned and prepared (cut-up, shelled, etc.) vegetables between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Foods will be blanched, canned and pressure sealed. Meats will be processed and wrapped. Freezer lockers are available or \$30.00 per year.

Eligibility: Cost for processing tin cans of vegetables is .40 cents, .45 cents for meats and .41cents for glass jars.

FOOD BANK

Contact: Department of Family and Children Services Office

Location: P.O. Box 451, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4505

Hours: 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. each Tuesday

Services: The Stephens County Food Bank is a non-profit, volunteer staffed organization that provides emergency groceries to families in need. The Food Bank is operated by community volunteers with food donations, and monetary gifts. Cash donations are used to purchase food at a greatly reduced price at the Atlanta Food Bank. As an emergency service, the Food Bank can serve a family once in any six month period. Qualified applicants are given enough food to feed their family for a three to five day period.

Eligibility: All applicants must apply for vouchers at the Stephens County Department of Family and Children Services (DFCS). During the application process, families can apply for more permanent food assistance. The Food Bank can supply food for the waiting period involved for most assistance programs.

SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM

Contact: Laura Biggers

Telephone: 706-886-0241

Services: Free or reduced cost breakfast and/or lunch programs for children in Stephens County Schools.

Eligibility: Determined by family size and income.

TOCCOA SOUP KITCHEN & SHELTER

Contact: Rose Kendrick or Gary Lance - 706-886-8341

Location: Whitman Street, Community Center, Building B, (Broad & Whitman St.), Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-8341

Services: Lunch at 11:30a.m. – 12:30p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday, at Whitman St. Community Center Building B. There is no fee for meals. Emergency shelter is provided at a local motel, if qualified, by police and Gary Lance. Free clothes are distributed on Wednesday mornings at the clothes closet in Whitman Street Community Center – Eliza Jane Gholston 706-886-5203

Cash Donations: Rose Kendrick 706-282-0486 / P.O. Box 535, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Food Donations: Carl Gunn 706-886-4942

HOUSING

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Contact: Glenda Wiley

Telephone: 229-723-9184

Services: To assist low-income families with rent in eligible housing. Rent is paid directly to landlord, must be income eligible.

Eligibility: Low-income families, elderly, handicapped, and disabled.

TOCCOA PINES APARTMENTS

Contact: Patricia Ansley

Location: 97 Prather Circle, Toccoa, GA, 30577

Telephone: 706-886-9303

Services: Provides low-income housing; RAP; deep subsidy housing and some high-income housing.

Eligibility: Rents are based upon income.

TOCCOA HOUSING AUTHORITY

Contact: Occupancy Staff; H.L. Brantley - Executive Director

Location: 655 S. Pond Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-9455, **Fax:** 706-886-0268

Services: Decent safe and affordable housing (including utilities); Boys & Girls Club; Literacy; After School; Leadership Training; job opportunity training; referrals.

Eligibility: Low-income; family composition; criminal history. Details provided by the occupancy department.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Contact: Gary Lance or Agnes Oglesby

Location: 44 Colonial, Dr., Toccoa, GA, 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3790

LAW ENFORCEMENT

EMERGENCY CALLS

Telephone: 911

Services: To report any fire, accident or illness in the county or city. Used to dispatch necessary law enforcement personnel, ambulance, and fire or emergency services.

GEORGIA STATE PATROL

Contact: Radio Operator

Location: Hwy. 123 and 365 (Jeanette Jamieson Intersection), Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4531

Services: Traffic Control (Stephens, Habersham, Rabun, Franklin, and Hart Counties); Assist other law enforcement as necessary.

TOCCOA/STEPHENS COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL

Contact: Bobby King or Cathy Taylor

Location: 6198 Landfill Circle (off Hwy. 145), Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-282-0104

Services: City and County Animal Control; Enforce City Ordinance

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE

Contact: Janice Roberston

Location: 62 Doyle Street, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4821 **Toll Free:** 866-754-3687 **Fax:** 706-282-4823

Hours: Tuesday – Friday from 8:00am – 6:00pm

Services: Issue Driver's License Tuesday - Saturday 9:00a.m. - 4:30p.m. except holidays

Email: www.dds.ga.gov

STEPHENS COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Contact: Sheriff Randy Shirley

Location: Stephens County Courthouse, P. O. Box 58, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: Investigations & Central Communications, Courthouse-706-886-2525; Jail-706-886-2514.

Services: To assist with civil and criminal matters by providing services for Superior, State, and Juvenile court. Also provides criminal investigations, road patrol and general law enforcement in Stephens County.

TOCCOA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Contact: Tim Jarrell, Chief of Police

Location: City Hall 203 N. Alexander St., Toccoa, GA 30577,

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 579, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-282-3244 (daytime), 706-886-8655(night);

Crime Hotline: 706-282-3233

Services: Law enforcement within the City of Toccoa

LEGAL SERVICES

CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT

Contact: Sherill Ravan

Location: P.O. Box 1930, 518A Monroe Street, Clarkesville, GA 30523

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1930, Clarkesville, GA. 30523

Telephone: 706-754-1717

Services: To aid in locating absent parents, establish child support and enforce legal support obligations.

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

Contact: Kathy H. Smith, Program Manager

Stephens County Contact: Kathy Smith

Location: 148 West Tugalo St., Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4520

Services: 1. Intake, screen, and process for Juvenile Court delinquent and traffic offenses for youth under 17 years of age. 2. Carry out orders of the Juvenile Court by providing: probation services, placement services to youth committed by the court for serious offenses. 3. Hears deprivation cases for youth under age 18.

Additional Contacts: Tim Quick, Clerk of Court; Judge Bob Culliser, P.O. Box 658, Toccoa, GA 30577, 706-886-7525.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Contact: Bryan Rickman, District Attorney or Sharon Moore – Victim Assistance Coordinator

Location: New County Courthouse, main floor Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: (Toccoa) 706-886-7920, (Habersham) 1-706-754-4496 or 1-706-754-6693,

(Rabun) 1-706-782-4501 **Services:** Prosecution of felony criminal cases in Superior Court and delinquent cases in Juvenile Court in Stephens, Habersham, and Rabun Counties.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

Contact: Amber Perry Dorsey, Office Manager

Location: 405 Madison St., P.O. Box 253 Clarkesville, GA. 30523

Telephone: 1-706-754-6427 or **fax:** 1-706-754-8064

Services: Provide defense counsel for indigent parties in criminal cases in Superior, State, and Juvenile Courts for Stephens, Habersham, and Rabun Counties.

Eligibility: Services based on State income guidelines.

JUVENILE COURT

Contact: Judge Robert Cullifer

Location: 148 West Tugaloo Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4520 **Fax:** 706-886-1259

STATE PROBATION OFFICE (DIVISION OF DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS)

Contact: Tassie Gomez, Probation Director

Location: Stephens County Government Building, Room 106, 70 North Alexander St. Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-7106

Services: Probation services for Superior, State and Magistrate Court

STEPHENS COUNTY CLERK OF COURT

Contact: Tim Quick, Clerk

Location: 70 N. Alexander St. Room 202, Toccoa GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3598 or 706-886-9496

Services: Serves Superior, State and Juvenile Courts by filing and recording all courthouse documents, Real Estate Recording (Deeds and Liens), Uniform Commercial code (Reporting collateral), draws juries, processes passport applications.

STEPHENS COUNTY MAGISTRATE COURT

Contact: Patsy Alexander, Clerk; Judge Dale P. Smith

Location: P.O. Box 1374, Room 303 Courthouse Annex, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6205

Services: Issue criminal warrants and search warrants, jurisdiction and misdemeanor bad check charges; hold preliminary hearings on felony charges, acts as small claims court (up to \$5,000) in civil matters.

STEPHENS COUNTY PROBATE COURT

Contact: Cindy Simmons, Secretary/Clerk or Teresa Kelley

Location: Stephens County Courthouse, 70 North Alexander St. Room 108, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2828; 706-886-8954

Services: Hear estate matters (validate wills), appoint guardians for minors and incapacitated adults, birth certificates and marriage certificates.

STEPHENS COUNTY STATE COURT

Contact: Judge James Irvin

Location: 27 East Tugalo St., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3598 or 706-886-9496

Services: Hears misdemeanor cases for the county

STEPHENS COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

Contact: Judge Russell W. Smith

Location: Stephens County Government Bldg. Room 301 mailing address: P.O. Box 758, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-7525

Services: Hears civil and felony criminal cases for county.

TOCCOA RECORDERS COURT

Contact: Clerk, Jennifer Finley, Police Department

Locations: P.O. Box 579, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-8655, ext. 238 or 706-282-3238

Services: Hears certain misdemeanor cases, all traffic cases (except felonies), and city ordinance charges within the city.

GEORGIA LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAMS

Contact: Intake Person, Arlene Jesse

Location: 705 Washington Street, N.W., Suite B-1, Gainesville, GA 30501

Telephone: 1-404-535-5717 (call collect) or 1-800-745-5717 (toll free)

Services: Cases handled: Repossessions, housing, evictions, foreclosures, and hospital/health issues. A lawyer or paralegal can also help you in the areas of welfare (TANF), Medicare, Social Security, Veterans Benefits, Medicaid, Food Stamps, Supplemental Security Income, Vocational Rehabilitation. This office also provides representation in certain types of divorce and custody cases. Staff at the office is available to assist elderly clients (those over 60) with certain types of legal needs.

Eligibility: Based on income guidelines. No fee to those who are eligible.

Additional Comments: A staff person will be in Stephens County by appointment only, on the fourth Wednesday of each month, from 10:30 a.m.-12:30p.m. at the Whitman Street Community Center Conference Room.

PRIVATE DAY CARE

CAMP TOCCOA

Contact: Mary Hunt

Location: Route 3, Falls Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2457

Services: Day camp in summer, holiday camp during spring break; horseback riding, and swimming.

CHILD CARE SOLUTIONS

Contact: Jana Albertson

Telephone: 1-800-793-6383

Services: Hours - 9:00a.m. - 4:00p.m. This project of Gainesville College is a telephone referral service for parents looking for childcare in the North Georgia area. Types of services listed are family day care homes, group homes, day care centers, pre-schools and mother's mornings out, after-school care, and summer camp programs.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

Contact: Teresa Pritchett

Location: 103 Merritt Circle, Toccoa GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-1240

Services: Day Care 6:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

CURRAHEE KIDS

Contact: Lynn Shedd

Location: 1107 Cawthon Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-1213

Services: 6:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. regular day care.

FIRST BAPTIST PRESCHOOL

Contact: Ms Jenora Dodd, Director

Location: 475 Tugalo St., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6822

THE LEARNING TREE ACADEMY

Contact: Brenda Williams, Director

Location: 1661, Fernside Drive, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-9900

Services: Day care from 6:30a.m. - 6:00p.m.

LIL' CHIEFS DAYCARE AND PRE-SCHOOL

Contact: Tammy Smith

Location: 156 White Pines Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6555

Services: Day care from 6:30 a.m. – 5:45 p.m.

PEANUT PATCH

Contact: Judy Medlin

Location: 57 Stephens Rd., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-0224

Services: Day Care and Pre-K

PRECIOUS MINUTES DAY CARE

Contact: Janie Walker, Director

Location: 1760 W. Currahee St., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-1443

Services: Day Care

WEE CARE PRESCHOOL

Contact: Sharon Johnson, Director

Location: Ebenezer Baptist Church, 49 Roselane, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-9300

Services: Preschool hours are from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Recreation

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF TOCCOA-STEPHENS COUNTY

Contact: Ms. Cindy Arnold, CPO

Location: 401 Whitman Street, mailing address: P.O. Box 921, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3771 (Phone), 706-886-3782 (Fax)

Services: Tutoring, Homework Assistance, Recreation, Arts and Crafts, Empowerment Sessions (drug awareness, health and nutrition, and abstinence), computer lab, Collaboration with NEGA Girl Scouts Council (onsite troops), and Leadership Academy (advanced education preparation). Youth are monitored by trained staff and volunteers.

Eligibility: 6 -18 year olds

Hours of operation during school year - Monday - Friday, 2:30 pm - 6:30 pm,

Summer hours - Monday - Friday, 7:30 am – 6:30 pm

NORTHEAST GEORGIA GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL

Contact: Teresa Laird

Location: 185 Hillcrest Avenue, Athens, GA. 30606

Telephone: 1-770-5487297, **Fax:** 1-770-532-8775, **email:** neggsc@mindspring.com

Services: Provides technical assistance for local troops.

NORTHEAST GEORGIA BOY SCOUT COUNCIL

Contact: Todd Foy

Location: 128 Woodlane Drive, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-4921

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Contact: Richard Adams, Recreation Director

Location: 199 Haley, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-5101

Services: The Toccoa-Stephens County Recreation Department offers a wide variety of programs and activities. The athletic program consists of basketball, karate, t-ball, prep ball, softball, cheerleading and football. Instructional classes include: karate, jazzercise, gymnastics, aerobics, cardio-rehabilitation, arts and crafts, home improvement courses and bowling. Most programs and classes are offered on a fee basis.

The Department is responsible for the Whitman St. Community Center (gym, office and Literacy Center), Boyd Field, Doyle Street Park, Emory Johnson Baseball Field, Alewine Park, the Fairgrounds, Holcomb's Landing, and Bruce Creek.

YMCA

Location: 117 North Big A Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-282-0261 or 706-886-YMCA (9622)

Services: Family programs, youth sports, adult fitness, wellness, swimming, summer day camps, gymnastics, karate.

SENIOR SERVICES

AGING PROGRAM: MABLE THOMAS SCOTT SENIOR CENTER

Contact: Lisa Thomas

Location: 6250 Rose Lane, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-4740

Services: To plan and implement a program to reduce social isolation and prevent premature institutionalization of those 60 years of age and older. Homemaker, nutrition/Meals-on-Wheels (hot meals), Monday-Friday, 8:00a.m. - 4:00 p.m., outreach, information, referral, counseling and transportation. Seniorcize exercise - call for calendar.

Eligibility: Adults 55 years and older.

AARP

Contact: Juanita Macomson

Location: 390 Skyview Lane, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2873

AREA CHURCHES

ASUZA STREET MINISTRIES

Pastor Lenny Cannon, 2089 B Clary Conn., Toccoa, GA 30577, 706-779-5490

CHRIST FELLOWSHIP

Scott Collett, 1140 South Big A Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577, 706-282-7345

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Dr. Jim Nelson, Senior Pastor, 475 E. Tugalo Street, Toccoa, GA. 30577, 706-886-6822

GLAD TIDINGS ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Rev. David Baxton, 184 Collier Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577, 706-886-1100

LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Albert Hudson, P.O. Box 2054/ Cawthon Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577, 706-297-7174

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Liem Nguyen, 6388 Rothell Road Ext., Toccoa, GA. 30577, 706-886-2819

TATES CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Jerrell Beatty, Homer Road, Hwy 184 S, Toccoa, GA. 30577, 706-282-0634

TOCCOA CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Paul Wright, 1633 Talmadge Drive, Toccoa, GA. 30577, 706-886-9595

ZEBULON BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Tony Byrd, Senior Pastor, 1127 W. Currahee Street, Toccoa, GA. 30577, 706-886-5270

CHURCHES WITH COUNSELING SERVICES

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Contact: Dr. Jim Nelson

Location: 475 East Tugalo Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6822

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Contact: Mark Weaver

Location: 205 E. Tugalo Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-3680

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Contact: Rev. Ken Freshour

Location: 333 East Tugalo Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-9446

OTHER SERVICES

COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM: NINTH DISTRICT OPPORTUNITY, INC.

Contact: Vanessa Youngblood

Location: 161 Queen Street, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-0211

Fax: 706-886-7049

The following services are provided by the agency pending availability of funds. Target population includes, families with young children, elderly and or disabled. All individuals must meet the income eligibility guidelines as set forth by the funding source (125% to 200% of poverty).

CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

- Assessment, counseling services and family enrichment services
- Development of individualized case plans
- Enrollment in special community projects
- Coordination of clothing, furniture or other personal care items

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

- Job coaching/referral/placement
- Assistance with obtaining child support and other resource benefits, i.e.; child care

BUDGET COUNSELING & DEVELOPMENT

- Counseling/Referral to credit counseling services
- Money management training and budget counseling

HOUSING ASSISTANCE

- Homeless Prevention and Re-location assistance
- Weatherization Services for the Home
- Installation of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors (Weatherization)

HEALTH

- Assessment/Referral to proper resources for timely immunizations
- Dissemination of information regarding health information and resources
- Coordination of health awareness and promotion activities (Health Fairs)
- Purchase of prescription medicine
- Assistance for free/reduced rate prescription medicine (non-insured)

NUTRITION ASSISTANCE

- Provision of food assistance and other special feeding initiatives
- Application assistance for SNAP benefits

ENERGY ASSISTANCE

- Arranging for payment for past due utility
- Referral for other energy related services
- SCANA Regulated Referral to establish utility service
- Low-income Home Energy Assistance Program (opens to 65+ and homebound in November, general public December)

NORTH GEORGIA COUNSELING CENTER

Contact: Dr. Tom Howell

Location(s): First Baptist Church Toccoa, 475 E. Tugalo Street, Toccoa, Georgia, 30577
Joe A. Adams Professional Building, 461 Cook Street, Suite G, Royston, Georgia 30662

Voice Mail: 1-706-245-3862; Toccoa 706- 886-6822 Royston, 1-706- 245-1861

Services: Offering hope, direction and healing.

Anchored in Christian faith, principles and values, the mission of the Northeast Georgia Counseling Center is to promote mental and spiritual health while demonstrating respect and compassion to those we serve. Counseling is offered to individuals, couples, families, and in group settings. There is a fee for this service.

TOCCOA COUNSELING CENTER

Contact: Dr. Charles Good

Locations: 141 W. Savannah St., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-1335

Services: Individual counseling or group counseling to children and adults including marriage and family therapy. All services by appointment only.

CONSUMER CREDIT COUNSELING SERVICE (CCCS)

Contact: Donna McWaters

Locations: 1000 E. Tugalo St., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 1-800-388-2227 for local office information; 1-800-251-2227 for Athens, Clarke Co. Area.

Services: Consumer Credit Counseling Service is a non-profit, community service agency with three primary purposes: CCCS provides individual budget counseling, free of charge, to the public; CCCS provides education programs throughout the community in money management, credit and consumerism; CCCS provides debt management services for people who are over-extended in debt.

CONVALESCENT HOME EQUIPMENT, INC.

Contact: Wallace Whiten, President

Location: Falls Rd., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-8474 **FAX:** 706-886-7032

Services: Rental of medical equipment: home oxygen, wheel chair, hospital bed, etc. Will accept Medicaid, Medicare, and private insurance.

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES

Contact: Kenny Jarvis, Director

Location: 64 N. Blvd. Suite 101, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4505, **Fax:** 706-282-4502 **Email:** stephensdfcs@Alltel.net

Comprehensive Listing of Services:

Temporary Assistance to Needy Families to Families With Dependent Children (TANF): program provides financial and medical assistance to meet basic needs of families and maintain children in their homes. Medicaid is an automatic benefit for TANF recipients.

Eligibility: Have children in the household less than 18 years of age and meet resource limits and income limit, which is based on the Federal Poverty Level.

Food Stamps: provides monthly benefits in the form of food coupons to low-income families to help pay for the cost of food.

Eligibility: meet resource limits and income limit, based on the federal poverty level.

TANF-Related Medical Services Program (ARM): provides programs through which financially needy individuals (pregnant women and/or children under 18 years of age) may obtain medical assistance. Major Medicaid program is Right from the Start Medicaid (RMS), for pregnant women and/or children born on or after 10/1/83.

Eligibility: Meet income limits (according to program), which are based on TANF limits on the Federal Poverty Level; meet resource limits, which vary according to program.

Other Medicaid: provides assistance to adults and children who need nursing home care; in the home care; and to aged, blind and/or disabled individuals. (Most classes of Medicaid have both an income and resource test for approval)

Medicaid Van Service: Clearinghouse 1-800-869-1150

Employment Skills and Placement: Dana Sanders, 706-282-4505

Foster Care Services: temporary placement of children in approved agency facility, while working with birth parents to reunite family.

Child Protective Services: to report suspected abuse, neglect, or sexual exploitation of children. Role of Agency to make assessment, identify risk, and provide services to correct the maltreatment.

Adult Protective Services: to report suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation of an adult, in a domestic setting, in a nursing home or personal care home.

Homemaker Services: specialized services to maintain individuals and families in their own homes by assisting with maintenance and management.

Subsidized Child Care: The purchase of childcare services for participants in the State's PEACH program, education/training programs, and other income eligible families who are working, in school, or job training.

Adoption: permanent placement of children legally free for adoption.

Shelter Services for Battered Women: to make referrals for victims of domestic abuse to go to one of three shelters located within close proximity.

Emergency Energy Assistance: to provide assistance in paying a past due utility bill, when cut off is imminent, if income guideline is met. Available only once in a 12-month period.

Medicaid Transportation: to assist Medicaid eligible clients in finding providers to transport to medical appointments.

Medical Emergencies: limited assistance with prescriptions for income eligible individuals not covered by Medicaid, and who cannot pay for medicine.

FOSTER PARENTS PROGRAM OF STEPHENS COUNTY

Contact: Stephens County DFCS

Telephone: 706-282-4617

Services: Adoption information and foster care programs

GOVERNOR'S HOTLINE FOR CHILD ABUSE

Contact: 1-800-244-5373

Services: A Child Advocacy Agency developed by Georgia's governor for private individuals to call to report concerns if they feel there is a child abuse/neglect case that is being handled improperly by the Department of Family and Children Services. Office is located in Macon, Georgia.

MEDI-HOME HEALTH CARE

Telephone: 706-886-1118 **Location:** 113 Hwy 123, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Services: Rentals of medical equipment/wheelchairs. *(Accepts Medicaid and private insurance)*

NEXT TO ME MEDICAL SUPPLIES

Telephone: 706-886-6649 **Location:** 198 N Big A Rd., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Website: www.nextomemedicalsupplies.com

Services: Provides products and supplies for: Mastectomies; CPAP & BIPAP; etc. *(Accepts Medicaid and private insurance)*

PARTNERS FOR SUCCESS

Contact: Toni Childress, Coordinator

Location: 1315 Rose Lane Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-2880 ext: 2010

Services: Partners For Success is a collaborative of state and local agencies working in partnership with local business to integrate services of school, health and human services, and the local community. Partners for Success program strives to strengthen children and families through strong family linkages to improve child health and child development, to reduce barriers to academic achievement; and improve family functioning and self-sufficiency. Stephens County Communities in Schools program operates under the non-profit Partners for Success umbrella. Tax-exempt contributions are accepted and appreciated.

SALVATION ARMY

Contact: Captain Bernard Tolan

Location: 306 E. Franklin Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-5293

Services: Utility assistance, prescription assistance, clothing, emergency shelter, missing person's bureau, Christian Counseling, Worship Services, food pantry/vouchers. Hours: Monday and Friday 9:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.; Wednesday 9:00a.m.-3:00p.m., Tuesday and Thursday 9:00a.m.-12:00p.m. (closed 12:00-1:00 lunch). Church services: Sunday school 9:45a.m., Sunday services at 11:00a.m. and 6:00p.m.

Eligibility: Persons in need of aid

STEPHENS COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICES

Contact: County Extension Coordinator

Location: 582 Eastanollee School Rd., Eastanollee, GA. 30538

Telephone: 706-779-5501

Services: to coordinate and integrate the resources of the University of Georgia and the U.S. Department of Agriculture to the needs of the citizens and businessmen of the area.

Will provide information on: Agriculture, Home gardens, home pets, backyard fruits, home landscaping, house plants, water tests, soil sample test, home economics, preserving foods, diabetes, household problems, diet information, consumer purchases, exercise tips health and safety, sewing, child care, time/money management, microwave tips, parenting, and stress management.

Also, Information on 4-H Youth Programs, Weight off Wisely (WOW) classes.

VAN SERVICE - DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Telephone: 1-800-869-1150

Service: To provide referrals to qualified Medicaid van services.

COMMUNITY CONNECTION

CALL 2-1-1

SERVICES:

- A daughter wrestles with the difficult decision to place her mother in a nursing home. Looking for information she calls 2-1-1
- A childcare provider needs 10 hours of state approved training to stay in business. She calls 2-1-1 to speak to someone in Child Care Resource and Referral of Northeast Georgia
- A newcomer to the area looks for opportunities to become involved in the community. With a desire to volunteer, he calls 2-1-1
- A case manager at a shelter helps a single mother find daycare for her child so that she can look for a job and housing. The case manager calls 2-1-1
- A woman suffering abuse from her husband decides to seek assistance. She calls 2-1-1
- A family struggles to pay utility bills after the father is laid off from his job. Seeking information for financial help, they call 2-1-1.

Community Connection, a non-profit organization, exists because of the generous support it receives from various organizations and individuals. Telephone 2-1-1 or 1-706-353-1313 / www.communityconnection211.com

Treatment/Support Groups

AIDS ATLANTA

Location: 1438 W. Peachtree Street, Suite 100, NW, Atlanta, GA. 30309

Telephone: 1-800-551-2728 / 1-404-870-7775 / 1-404-870-7700

Services: AIDS support group and information center, Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP FOR CARE GIVERS

Contact: Mary Chapman

Location: 97 Beechwood Blvd., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-5999

Services: Provide education and support. The group meets in the parish hall of St. Matthias Church at 10:00 a.m. the second Saturday of each month.

AMEDISYS HOME HEALTH AGENCY

Contact: Sara Dispennette, Deputy Director

Location: 53 Rock Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-5442 or 706-886-1588

Services: This is a for-profit Health Care Agency, which provides care in patient's home when ordered by their doctor. Services provided are: Skilled Nursing, Physical and Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Home Health Aides, Health and Nutritional Guidance, limited Medical Supplies, and Medical Social Services.

Eligibility: Patients receiving care in their home under Medicare and/or Medicaid must be essentially homebound; be in need of skilled nursing care or physical therapy or speech therapy; and be approved for such care by a doctor. Insurance accepted.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

Contact: American Cancer Society,

Address: 2565 Thompson Bridge Rd. Suite 114, Gainesville, GA. 30501

Telephone: 1-770-297-1176, 1-800-227-2345 (toll free)

Services: Contact information for funding for transportation, medications, wigs, prosthesis, and other related services/supplies. Will provide information about available support services and resources for families and patients.

AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION

Contact: American Diabetes Association

Location: 1 Corporate Square, Suite 127, Atlanta, GA 30329

Telephone: 1-900-622-8000

Services: Promotes the prevention and cure of diabetes and works to help improve the lives of diabetes patients and their families.

ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION AND HOT LINE

Location: 2970 Peachtree Road NW, Suite 200, Atlanta, GA 30305

Telephone: 1-404-237-8771, 1-800-933-7023 (toll free), **Fax:** 1-404-237-8153

Services: Provides information to people with arthritis. Warm water aquatic exercise programs are offered. Also self help courses and education and exercise. Will also provide physician referrals.

DR. ELIZABETH PINKERTON

Location: 8896 Falls Road, Toccoa, GA 30577

Phone: 706-886-8399

F.A.I.T.H. INC. RAPE CRISIS CENTER

Location: P.O. Box 1964, Clayton, GA. 30525

Telephone: Toll-free 1-888-782-1338; Business phone: 1-706-782-1003

Services: Services include 24-hour crisis line, emergency shelter, and hospital room support, personal advocacy, legal advocacy, support groups, peer and professional counseling, sexual assault prevention programs, information and referrals, community awareness education. Also available: sexual assault prevention program for youth 12-22 years of age, Instructor-706-886-2290

GEORGIA ACADEMY FOR THE BLIND

Location: 2895 Vineville Avenue, Macon, GA. 31204-2899

Telephone: 1-478-751-6083

Services: Residential school for children, aged pre-school through 12th grade, which are visually handicapped. Also serve non-sensory impaired multi-handicapped students on a daily basis. No fees.

GEORGIA LIONS LIGHTHOUSE FOUNDATION

Location: 1775 Clairmont Road, Decatur, GA. 30033

Telephone: 1-404-325-3630

Services: Eye treatment, eyeglasses, surgery, and hearing aids are available for the financially disadvantaged Georgians of all ages.

GEORGIA LIONS CLUB SIGHT CONSERVATION PROJECT

Contact: Mary Ann Mojica

Location: Stephens County Health Department, 222 N. Boulevards, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-886-8177 or 706-886-0657 for appointment

Services: To promote sight conservation by providing eye examinations and glasses to low-income persons.

Eligibility: Must be unable to pay for cost of eyeglasses. An interview is conducted to determine eligibility for glasses.

HOSPITAL-STEPHENS COUNTY

Contact: Ed Gambrell, Administrator or Lynn Crunkelton, Public Relations

Location: 163 Hospital Drive, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-6841 or 706-282-4200

Services: Emergency ambulance, emergency room 24 hours per day, in-patient medical and surgical care, intensive care unit, obstetrics and newborn nursery, Lamaze childbirth classes and prenatal classes, including prenatal CPR, in and outpatient rehabilitation services including physical, occupational and speech therapy, nutritional services, community wellness programs, social services.

GEORGIA MOUNTAINS COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARD (MENTAL HEALTH)

Contact: Janice McAllister

Location: 1763 Fernside Drive, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4542, Fax: 706-282-4544; Toll-free 24hrs 1-800-347-5827

Services: Hours: 800 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Clinic offers individual and family therapy to help improve family situations or to help children and adults with needs. The clinic offers help for the emotionally and mentally disturbed, weekly support programs for alcohol abuse and a day treatment program. Drug abuse programs are also offered.

Eligibility: Charges based on income, SED, Educational Crisis, Family Crisis. Behavior causing problems at school, home, or interpersonal distress can be addressed.

LIFESMILES

Location: 3535 Thompson Bridge Road, Gainesville, GA.

Telephone: 1-706-531-9933

Services: Lifesmiles provides all dental care, including oral surgery for kids. (*Accepts Medicaid and Peachcare*)

NORTHEAST GEORGIA UNITED WAY

Contact: Rubielen Norris

Telephone: 1-706-353-1313 or 211 from a land line telephone

Services: 47 nonprofit health and human service agencies.

OPEN ARMS CLINIC

Contact: James Thomas

Location: 109 Big A Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-0940

Services: Preventive health care, diagnosis and treatment of chronic disease, health education, specialist referral, basic prescription medications, referral to other support agencies.

Eligibility: Eligibility will be determined through the clinic's preregistration screening process requiring income verification, proof of residency, and more.

OUR KIDS PEDIATRICS

Dr. Angela Reese

Location: 154 West Tugalo Street, Toccoa, GA 30577

Phone: 706-886-1309

POWERHOUSE FOR KIDS

Contact: Powerhouse for kids

Telephone: 706-886-2290

Location: Hwy 123 East, ½ mile south of the Chamber of Commerce.

Services: Child Advocacy Center

RED CROSS

Location: P.O. Box 3370, 311 Jesse Jewell Parkway, Gainesville, GA. 30503-3370

Telephone: 1-800-282-1722

Services: Emergency loan and leave for servicemen. Red Cross collects blood, offers food, shelter and medical aid to disaster victims. Red Cross also conducts first aid programs and provides safety training for small crafts. Water Safety programs are also available.

Red Cross works in High School to organize Junior Red Cross Units. Red Cross is available for local relief, national relief and international relief when needed.

CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE OF ATLANTA

Location: 1001 Johnson Ferry Road, NE, Atlanta, GA. 30342

Telephone: 1-404-250-KIDS or call 706-282-4507 Stephens County Health Department

Services: Provides pediatric and orthopedic services for children. Medical clinics include allergy, language disorders, dental developmental, diabetes, genetics, nutritional and psychology; surgical clinics include cleft palate and lip, ear, nose and throat, eye, neurosurgery, general pediatric surgery, plastic surgery; urology, orthopedic, food growth and metabolic, hand, hop, leg, spinal, and bone tumor.

Eligibility: Birth through 21 years. Children must be recommended by a Scottish Rite Mason, physician or a public health department. Ask your doctor. Fees based on income. (*Medicaid, Private Insurance, and Child Care Fund acceptable*)

SOUTHERN REHABILITATION SERVICES

Contact: Angie King

Location: 230 Hospital Drive, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4461

Services: Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy

Eligibility: Patient needs a doctor's prescription. Medicaid and Medical Insurance are accepted.

STEPHENS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Contact: Donna Cisson, Nurse Manager

Location: 64 N. Boulevard, Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4507, **Fax:** 706-282-4511

Eligibility: The Health Department serves the community. Some program fees are based upon income. Call for appointment or to determine the days for each service.

Late clinic appointments are available on the 1st Thursday of each month. Fees are based on income verification. Medicaid and Peach Care accepted.

Comprehensive Listing of Services

Immunizations: To insure that contagious diseases are eliminated or reduced. Immunizations are given according to need. A consent form must be signed. An \$8.00-\$10.00 per vaccine fee is charged and is offered during general clinic hours. (*Medicaid and Peach Care accepted*)

Primary Care Clinic: Provides services to qualifying individuals on Tuesdays or Thursdays by appointment only at the Health Department. Applications for primary care must be picked up at the Health Department before treatment.

General Clinic: Services offered five days a week 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Late clinic appointments are available the 1st Thursday of each month until 7:00 p.m. The clinic will be close at 3:00 pm on the 1st Friday of each month. Below is a list of clinic services:

Diabetes Screening: \$10.00--screening for adults age 18 & older for those never previously diagnosed with diabetes. Should be fasting for 8 hours before testing; **Blood Pressure:** no charge; **Hemoglobin:** \$5.00; **Urinalysis:** \$5.00; **Blood Test for Marriage License:** \$20.00 per person, results take up to 2 weeks; **Hearing/Vision/Dental Screening:** No charge if certificate not required. \$15.00 if certificate is needed; **Cholesterol:** \$15.00;

Therapeutic Injection-\$5.00--must supply own medicine; **Head Check for Lice-**\$5.00-\$3.00 more if medication received; **HIV Screening-**\$20.00 (charge for HIV screening: venipuncture only); Tuberculin Skin Test-\$10.00 (Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday)

Stephens County Health Department Sexually Transmitted Disease Program: to diagnose and treat persons with or that has been exposed to sexually transmitted diseases. All services cost \$15.00 and completely confidential. Call for more information.

Appointments are available Tuesday-Friday. GA Immunization Certificates \$3 (free with immunizations)

Dental Program: Identifies and corrects dental problems or make referrals for corrections. They work to improve dental health through education and treatment. Services are available for Medicaid or Peach Care for persons up to 18 years of age. Call for an appointment on Tuesdays and Fridays only.

Child Health Program: To provide early and periodic health screening of children. Medicaid or Peach Care eligible children age birth to 18 years of age or children registered in the Head Start program. Call for an appointment on Wednesdays or Fridays. Late clinic appointments are also available.

WIC Program: (Women, Infants and Children); to supplement the diet of women, infants and children who are at nutritional risk, and to provide nutritional education and improve dietary habits.

Women's Health Program: Includes cancer screening, breast exam, birth control methods, and medical referrals for problems. Mammogram available for women 50 years and older based on income eligibility. Services are available four days a week by appointment. Late clinic appointments are available the 1st Thursday of each month. No one is denied services based on inability to pay, based on income verification. Medicaid accepted.

TOCCOA CLINIC

Location: 58 Big A Rd., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: Pediatrics 706-886-8419, Family Practice 706-886-3148

Services: Pediatrics (Monday - Thursday; 8:30 am – 12:00 pm and 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm)
Family medical services, and several special clinics including Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Dermatology, Anesthesiology, Ear/Nose & Throat, Nephrology/Dialysis OB/GYN, Ophthalmology, Orthopedics, Psychiatry, Urology and General Surgery.

Eligibility: Available to anyone by appointment only. No referral necessary. *Medicaid, Medicare, insurance and private pay (cash, credit card, check) is accepted.*

TOCCOA LIFE

Location: 282 W. Doyle St., Toccoa, GA. 30577

Telephone: 706-886-0177

Hours: 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. (Closed 12:00-1:00 for lunch)

Services: Pregnancy tests and counseling/education (individual and group). Confidential counseling services for crisis pregnancy situations and Post Abortion Syndrome.

Parenting Classes offered. Maternity clothes and children's clothes (up to size 10) are available. All services are free of charge.

Veterans Programs

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN SERVICES

Contact: B. C. Fowler, Jr.

Location: Room 100, Courthouse Annex, Toccoa, GA 30577

Telephone: 706-282-4525

Services: For Stephens, Habersham, Banks, Franklin, and Hart Counties: Veterans Disability Pension, Widow's Pension, Educational Benefits and Markers, Various Referral Services

Eligibility: Must be a veteran. Eligibility requirements are based on wartime disability. Widow's pensions are based on income. Widowers may also be eligible. Some educational benefits for children of veterans killed in service.

VETERANS HOT LINE

Location: 730 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, GA. 30308

Telephone: 1-800-827-1000, access code needed

Services: Answer questions about benefits available to veterans and their families.

VICTORY HOME – HELPING HAND, INC.

Location: P.O. Box 7, Tallulah Falls, GA 30573

Telephone: 1-706-754-6030

Services: Alcohol Treatment Program for men.

LOCAL CLUBS/ORGANIZATIONS

ASSOCIATION FOR RETARDED CITIZENS

Lorene Doud, Liberty Hill Rd. Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-779-3033

BOYS & GIRLS OF NE GA

Oliver Dorsey, 401 Broad Street, Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-886-3771

CAMP FIRE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

Dave Keigan

706-886-2457

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Wendi Bailey, 160 N. Alexander St., Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-886-2132

ELK'S AIDMORE AUXILIARY

Nancy Houseworth, 705 Henderson Falls Road, Toccoa, GA

706-282-0881

ELKS BPOE LODGE # 1820

Sean Black

706-886-2672

FARM BUREAU OF STEPHENS COUNTY

Brown Dean, P.O. Box 196, Martin, GA. 30557

706-886-7457

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Agnes Oglesby, 163 S. Alexander St. Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-886-2636

HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

Juanita Macomson

706-282-4257

HUMANE SOCIETY

June Thompson

706-244-0818

KIWANIS CLUB

David Tate

706-886-4974

LION'S CLUB OF MARTIN

Herman Mooney, 341 Avalon Road, Toccoa, GA

706-779-5464

LION'S CLUB OF TOCCOA

Steve Spruill

706-886-6075

LITERACY CLUB

Melissa Plaisted

706-779-5983

MEDICAL SOCIETY

Russell Burken, 821 Falls Road, Toccoa, GA.30577

706-886-7402

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

Bryan McCrea, 138 Fighting Pines Road, Toccoa, GA.30577

706-282-1135

NORTHEAST GEORGIA BOY SCOUTS COUNCIL

Todd Foy, 126 Woodlane Drive, Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-886-4921

NORTHEAST GEORGIA GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL

Teresa Laird, 906 Interstate Dr. Suite E, Gainesville, GA. 30501

706-548-7297

NORTH GEORGIA TECHNICAL ADULT EDUCATION

Jackie Reeder

706-779-8116

ROTARY CLUB OF TOCCOA

Cam Parker

706-886-2080

S.E.L.F. & LITERACY COUNCIL

Lisa Prickett, P.O. Box 1497, Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-886-6909

SALVATION ARMY

Kim Grimes, 348 E. Franklin Street, Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-886-5293

SHRINER'S CLUB

Eddie Evans

706-297-7363

SOUTHERN REHABILITATION SERVICES

Angie King, 203 Falls Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-282-4461

STEPHENS COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

Lisa Thomas, 1018 E. Tugalo, Toccoa, GA. 30577

706-886-4740

STEPHENS COUNTY 4-H

Susan Yearwood 706-779-5501

TOCCOA OPTIMIST CLUB

Ruth Hoffman, 7075 Whippoorwill Lane, Toccoa, GA. 30577 706-886-3299

VETERAN'S OF FOREIGN WAR

Tony Powers, 7694 Hayes Wilbanks Road, Toccoa, GA. 30577 706-779-5373

WOODMAN OF THE WORLD

Curtis Waters, Rte 2, Box 2329, Eastanollee, GA. 30538 706-779-2953

TOLL FREE / HOTLINE NUMBERS

AMERICAN RED CROSS

1-800-282-1722 - American Red Cross

ARTHRITIS

1-800-933-7023 - Arthritis Hotline

1-800-327-3027 - Arthritis Consultation Center

AIDS

1-800-227-8922 - CDC/National Sexually Transmitted Diseases Hotline

1-800-342-2437 - National AIDS Hotline; Spanish-1-800-344-7432

ALCOHOLISM

1-800-854-0318 - Alcohol & Drug Care Unit, access code needed

1-800-252-6465 - Alcoholism Information - Adcare Hospital

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

1-800-621-0379 or 1-800-272-3900 - Alzheimer's Association

ASTHMA/ALLERGIES

1-800-7ASTHMA (727-8462) - Asthma Allergy Foundation of America

BURN VICTIMS

1-800-237-5055 - International Shriners Patient Referral Hotline

CANCER

1-800-843-8114 - American Institute for Cancer Research Nutrition Hotline

1-800-422-6237 - Cancer Information Hotline

1-800-525-3777 - AMC Cancer Information & Counseling Line

1-800-4-CANCER (226237) - National Cancer Institute Information Service

CAREER COUNSELING

1-800-54-HEATH (43284) - Resource Center for Higher Education and Adult Training
of People with Handicaps (HEATH)

1-800-526-7234 - Job Accommodation Network (JAN)

1-800-NETWORK (638-9675) - Network Staffing

CEREBRAL PALSY

1-800-872-5827 - United Cerebral Palsy Association's Inc.

CHILD ABUSE

1-800-448-3000 - Boy's Town National Hotline

1-800-422-4453 - Child Help USA National Child Abuse Hotline (sexual abuse victims
and family)

1-800-532-3208 - Prevent Child Abuse Hotline, GA Council on Child Abuse

CLEFT PALATE

1-800-24-CLEFT (25338) Palate Education Foundation CLEFTLINE

CONSUMER

1-800-528-2121 - American Express Authorizations-Report Lost or Stolen Credit Cards

DENTAL HEALTH

1-800-432-4357 - Georgia Dental Association

DIABETES

1-800-232-3472 - American Diabetes Association

1-800-223-1138 - Juvenile Diabetes Foundation Hotline

DISABILITIES

1-800-424-8666 - American Council for the Blind

1-800-638-8255 - American Speech / Language/ Hearing Association

1-800-225-0292 - American Paralysis Association

1-800-328-8476 -Autism Society of America

1-800-323-4238 - Blind Correspondence Courses—free

1-800-444-NHIF (6443) - The Brain Injury Association's Family Help Line

1-800-222-EYES (3937) - Foundation for the American Academy of Ophthalmology

Public Service Program

1-800-537-2329 - Georgia Advocacy (Developmental Disabilities)

1-800-255-0135 or 1-800-255-0056 - Georgia Relay Center (phone for Hearing Impaired)

1-800-548-4337 - Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind

1-800-248-6701 - Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

1-800-558-0121 - Lupus Foundation of America

1-800-833-4672 - Multiple Sclerosis - National Center for the Blind

1-800-221-6827 - National Easter Seal Society

1-800-222-3937 - National Eye Care Project (for 65 yrs. +)

1-800-562-6265 - National Association for Parents of the Visually Impaired

1-800-424-8567 - National Library Services for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

1-800-344-4867 - National Multiple Sclerosis Society (research and information)

1-800-962-9629 - National Spinal Cord Injury Association Resource Center

1-800-255-9877 - Physically-Challenged Resource Center-Chrysler Motors (for vehicles equipped for disabled)

DRUG INFORMATION

1-800-COCAINE (262-2463) - Cocaine Hotline

EPILEPSY

1-800-332-1000 - Epilepsy Foundation

1-800-527-7105 - Epilepsy Foundation of Georgia

FINANCIAL AID

1-800-638-0742 - Federal Hill-Burton Uncompensated Services

HEALTH INFORMATION

1-800-336-4797 - National Health Information Center

HOUSING

1-800-869-1017 - Georgia Department of Community Affairs (Jill Walker)

1-800-669-9777 - Housing Discrimination Hotline

HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE

1-800-345-4372 - National Office the Huntington's disease Society of America

IMPOTENCE

1-800-843-4315 - Impotence Information Center

KIDNEY

1-800-800-749-2257 - American Association of Kidney Patients

1-800-638-8299 - American Kidney Foundation (M-F-9:00-5:00)

MEDICARE

1-800-633-2273 - Medicare Hotline
1-800-282-2614 – Medicare – Part A
1-800-727-0827 – Medicare – Part B
1-404-527-7175 – Medigap Insurance

MISSING CHILDREN

1-800-843-5678 - National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

NEUROLOGICAL IMPAIRMENT/PARALYSIS

1-800-843-2256 - National Headache Foundation

NUTRITION

1-800-523-6633 - Beech-Nut Nutrition Hotline
1-800-443-7237 - Gerber Products Co. Information Hotline

ORGAN DONORS

1-800-528-2971 - The Living Bank

POISON CONTROL CENTER

1-800-282-5846 - Georgia Poison Control Center

SENIOR CITIZEN NUMBERS

1-404-881-0292 – AARP
1-404-364-2626 – The Aging Connection
1-800-272-3900 – Alzheimers Association
1-770-948-0768 – Assisted Living Association of Georgia
780-2355 – BellSouth Discount Program (**no area code required**)
1-404-872-9191 – Center for Positive Aging
1-800-677-1116 – Eldercare Locator
1-404-656-5176 – Energy Assistance for Seniors Program

1-800-255-2870 – Georgia Caregiver Resource Center
1-404-657-5343 – Georgia Council on Aging
1-404-657-5258 – Georgia Division of Aging Services
1-706-542-4241 – Georgia Legal Aid
1-404-325-4001 – Georgia Power Senior Discount Program
1-770-451-3735 – Georgia Silver-Haired Legislature
1-310-924-3996 – Grandparents as Parents (GAP)
1-301-504-0580 – Home Safety Checklist for Older Consumers
1-404-657-0651 – Landlord/Tenant Helpline
1-404-321-6960 – Life Enrichment Services
1-800-451-0525 – Lifeline Systems
1-404-364-2527 – Long-Term Care Coalition
1-520-881-4005 – National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys
1-800-658-8898 – National Hospice Organization
1-800-669-8387 – Pension Counseling Hotline
1-706-754-6221 – Senior Community Service Employment Program
1-404-352-9371 – Senior Companion Program
1-800-772-1212 – Social Security Information
1-404-894-5336 – Senior Ombudsman Program
1-202-393-6222 – United Seniors Health Cooperative
1-404-888-0077 – Widowed Person Service

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

1-800-8AS-KSBA (827-5722) Small Business Administration

SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME (SIDS)

1-800-221-SIDS (7437) - National Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Foundation

TOYS

1-800-638-2772 - U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission

VETERANS

1-800-669-7079 - Blinded American Veterans Foundation

WORKER'S COMPENSATION

1-800-533-0682 - Worker's Compensation

OTHER IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

ABLE Newspaper for Disabled	1-516-939-2253
Challenged Child and Friends, Inc., Gainesville, GA.	1-770-535-8372
Developmental Disabilities Ministries, Atlanta, GA.	1-770-463-3800
Disabled American Veterans	1-859-441-7300
Easter Seal Society, Atlanta	1-404-633-9609
Emory University Switchboard, Atlanta	1-404-727-6123
Georgia Council on Child Abuse, Atlanta	1-404-870-6565
Helen Keller Foundation, Atlanta	1-404-766-9625
Helen Keller Foundation, TDD	1-404-766-2820
Helen Keller Foundation Fax	1-404-766-3447
Muscular Dystrophy Association, Atlanta	1-770-621-9800
National Cued Speech Association	1-919-828-1218
Ronald McDonald House	1-404-636-6611
Sickle Cell Foundation of GA, Inc.	1-404-755-1641
Stephens County Board of Commissioners	706-886-9491
Stephens County Clerk of Court	706-886-3598
Stephens County Commissioners Office	886-886-9491
Stephens County Emergency Management	706-886-1647
Stephens Head Start/Pre K	706-886-7675
Toccoa City Clerk	706-282-3225
Toccoa Falls College	706-886-7299
Toccoa Post Office	706-886-4058
Toccoa-Stephens County Animal Control	706-282-3422
Toccoa-Stephens County Chamber of Commerce	706-886-2132
Toccoa – Stephens County Parks & Recreation	706-886-5105
Toccoa-Stephens County Public Library	706-886-6082

